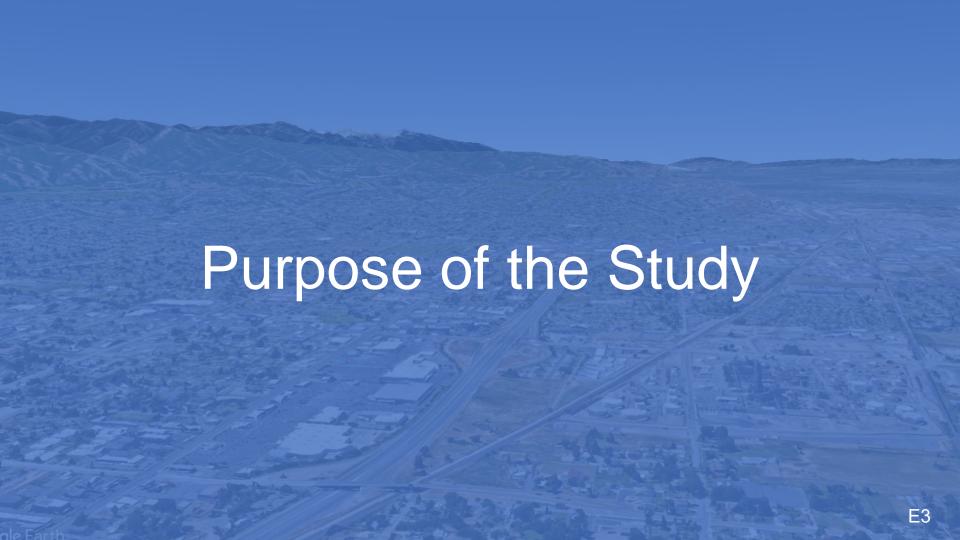
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### What we will cover

- Purpose of the study
- What we know so far
- Opportunities for feedback



### Utah's Quality of Life Framework



Better Mobility



Good Health



Connected Communities



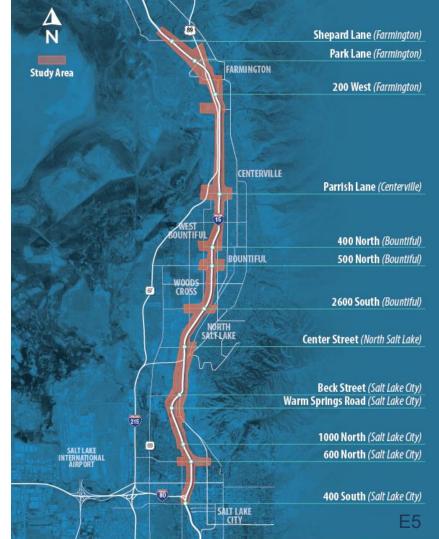
Strong Economy



### **UDOT's Mission**







### Study Process

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# What We Know So Far E7

## Aging Infrastructure









### **Travel Time**





# Interchange Needs









# Safety

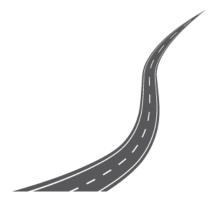
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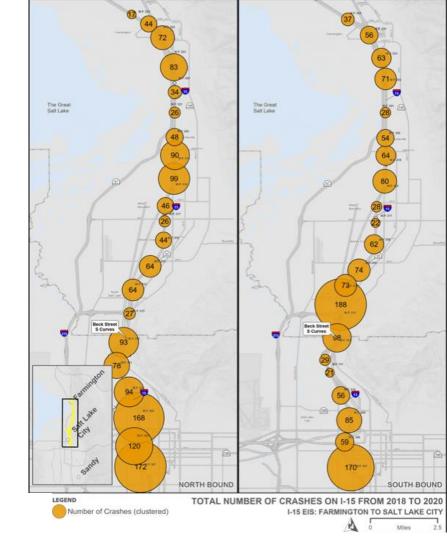




**Sharp Curves** 







### **Limited Connections**







### Resources To Be Studied

- Land use
- Community and property impacts
- Environmental justice
- Economics
- Traffic and transportation
- Equity
- Air quality
- Noise

- Water resources
- Ecosystem resources
- Floodplains
- Cultural resources
- Hazardous materials and waste sites
- Visual resources



# Opportunities for Input E14

## Early Stakeholder Engagement





### Draft Purpose and Need Statement

**Purpose:** To improve safety, replace aging infrastructure, provide better mobility for all travel modes, strengthen the state and local economy, and better connect communities along I-15 from Farmington to Salt Lake City. The project purpose consists of the following items which are organized by UDOT's Quality of Life Framework categories of Good Health, Connected Communities, Strong Economy, and Better Mobility.









## Draft Purpose and Need Statement





#### Good Health and Connected Communities

- Improve the safety and operations of I-15 mainline,
   I-15 interchanges, bicyclist and pedestrian crossings,
   and the supporting roadway network.
- Be consistent with planned land use, growth objectives, and transportation plans.
- Enhance access and connectivity to FrontRunner, connection to transit, regional trails and across I-15.

## Draft Purpose and Need Statement



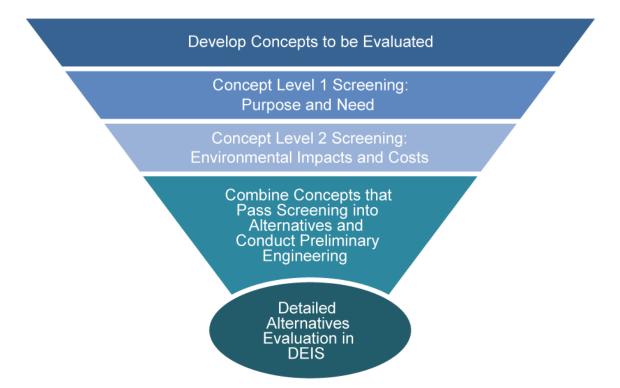
#### Strong Economy and Better Mobility

Replace aging infrastructure on I-15.



- Enhance the economy by reducing travel delay on I-15.
- Improve mobility and operations on I-15 mainline,
   I-15 interchanges, the supporting roadway network,
   transit connections, and bicyclist and pedestrian facilities
   to help accommodate projected 2050 travel demand.

## Screening Criteria



### Ways to submit a comment – April 11-May 13

- Visit www.i15eis.udot.utah.gov and use the comment map to enter a comment (también está disponible una versión en español)
- - Send an email to <a href="mailto:i15eis@utah.gov">i15eis@utah.gov</a>
- Address: 392 E Winchester St., Ste. 300 Salt Lake City, UT 84107
- Any individual needing special accommodations to make a comment should contact the project team at (385) 220-5797

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